

The Khan Brothers



Place : Udaipur

Genre : Tabla Players



#localturnon: What is the history to your taking up Music? How did it come into being, your journey?

#TheKhanBrothers: As myself I am a musician (Sarodani Veena Player) so they always had musical environment around them. In my Practice time both kids used to come on their knees. Sit with me to listen my instruments and to touch them with curiosity. Both kids were very much interested to touch Tabla and tried to make DhAm DhAm Sound on it with their small cute hands. I Knew that they liked beats more than other instruments. When kids turned 4 I started to give some them some basic lessons of Tabla at home. The journey started in this way.

Credit to their extraordinary talent the Kids are now known as the “KHAN BROTHERS” Tabla Players Jodi. Now Khan Brothers Hold 6 Tablas together and they produce beats in synch which is a very difficult part. They have been covered by many newspapers Articles and other publications / online news.

#localturnon: How did you know that they had the talent and the inclination to pick up music (did they show any signs of music adaption; did they sing well / beat to the tunes etc)?

#TheKhanBrothers: The kids were catching very fast all the lessons and they were making some extraordinary interesting beats, It made me feel very surprised. How they can play it in such a small age? Then it made me pay more attention for their Tabla lessons. Now they have reached a stage where the lessons have

become complex and their Tabla study has become more rigorous. Thus, they are learning from their father and one more Tabla Guru Mr. Rajandra Damami, who plays with my “Sarodani Veena”. Now kids have two gurus.



#localturnon: How do they manage to balance studies and music (how long do they practice; how do they ensure balance)?

#TheKhanBrothers: They don't have much pressure of Tabla practice. They practice one or one and half hour every day in the evening when I am back from my work. But we are very careful with discipline when we practice music. During the practice times I am not a father (I am a Guru for them). We also have lots of fun during the music practice time. In the day hours they have time for school, Play games with friends and study (Home work is not compromised). There are also times when we don't practice music if they don't feel like playing. Then its family time and we go for drives and ice creams and have lots of fun.

#localturnon: How did they pick up Tabla when you are into a different instrument?

#TheKhanBrothers: I can't pressure them to play and learn any other instrument. It was not in my hand. I think they don't like my new invention “Sarodani Veena”

(smiling). They have selected their instruments naturally with their choice. I think God likes them to play Tabla.



#localturnon: What are their fav songs (if any), fav movies (if any) or music piece that they like to listen to?

#TheKhanBrothers: Khan Brothers Favorite movie is “Bahubali” . They are also big fans of hero Prabhas .They like the title song of the movie “Ho Ri Chirayya” . They love to sing a lot. They like action movies and soft sweet songs. Salman Khan , Akshay Kumar and Amir Khan are their favorites.

#localturnon: Do they like sports and if so which game. Also do they have any fav players or sportsperson they admire?

#TheKhanBrothers: Yes!! They like sports. They play Cricket, Skating, Cycling and they love Drama action fight on bed (very natural if you have two boys in family (smiling). They are big fan of Mahendra Singh Dhoni.

#localturnon: So who are their favourites/ Icons/ Role Models in the field of music?

#TheKhanBrothers: This one is a no brainer. Their icon is **Ustad Zakir Hussain Sahab.**



#localturnon: Have they given any performances (with you / with you you) and how has that experience been for them (has it given them confidence, has it reinforced the spirit to learn more, has it shown them that there is still lots to learn etc)?

#TheKhanBrothers: They play with me some times. But most of the time they have Tabla players Jodi Performances. Khan Brothers keep performing in Schools, Rural Areas, Colleges, Universities, Different NGO'S and many different platforms with a beautiful message that children should express their talent and parents must support them. It can be Sports, Music and any other talent. This is aim of Little Khan Brothers Tabla Players Jodi to spread this message with their talent and also they know very well that they have to learn more, work hard and have to make a big Dream of "Khan Brothers Tabla Players Jodi".

#localturnon: What are their plans for the future (Do they intend to take this up professionally, full time, any immediate shows planned, any events that they plan to take part in in the coming months)?

#TheKhanBrothers: Right now their Talent is just a hobby (But Little more than hobby). Khan Brothers are not professional performers. They are very young (8 and 7 years respectively). We want them to pursue higher studies and also Keep Loving and performing with their Tabla. Time will tell.

The Khan Brothers Need everyone's blessings.

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